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SUBJ: ANTI- TANK ROCKETS AND LAUNCHERS ACQUIRED BY TURK
CYPRIOTS

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1. DEPT HAS PROBLEM OF US REACTION TO GOC DEMARCHE REGARD-
ING ACQUISITION BY TURK CYPRIOTS OF US MAP- SUPPLIED WEAPONS
UNDER ACTIVE CONSIDERATION.

2. IN MEANTIME, WOULD APPRECIATE INFORMATION ON FOLLOWING:

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A. FOR NICOSIA: HOW WERE ARMORED CARS IMPORTED FROM UK EARLIER THIS YEAR PLACED UNDER UN CUSTODY OR IMMOBILIZED?

B. FOR ANKARA: WHEN DID MAP DELIVERIES OF M72'S TO TURKISH ARMY OCCUR? WHAT ARE LOCAL CONTROLS TO ENSURE US SUPPLIED WEAPONS WILL NOT BE REEXPORTED?

3. DEPT IS AWARE OF DIFFICULTIES INHERENT IN RAISING THIS ISSUE WITH TURKS, PARTICULARLY AT THIS TIME. ON OTHER HAND, OPEN DISPLAY OF THESE WEAPONS BY TURK CYPRIOT FIGHTERS PLACES UNSYG IN POSITION OF BEING OBLIGED TO MAKE REPRESENTATIONS TO GOT; IT EMBARRASSES USG BECAUSE OF AMERICAN

ORIGIN OF WEAPONS; AND IT CHALLENGES US POLICY SINCE 1966 OF OPPOSITION TO INTRODUCTION OF ANY NEW ARMS FROM ANY SOURCE FOR ANYONE ON CYPRUS.

4. WE APPRECIATE AMB POPPER'S RECOMMENDATIONS ON HOW TO HANDLE SITUATION AND LOOK FORWARD TO EMBASSY ANKARA'S COMMENTS. ROGERS

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